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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH**

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Date of Decision: 03.11.2016

Sandeep Singh

... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

... Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE INDERJIT SINGH

Present: Mr. Munish Raj, Advocate for
Mr. G.S.Samra, Advocate for
the petitioner.

Ms. Shivali, Assistant Advocate General, Punjab.

INDERJIT SINGH, J. (Oral)

Petitioner has filed this petition under Section 438 Cr.P.C. for grant of anticipatory bail in case FIR No.48 dated 27.07.2016, registered at Police Station Joga, District Mansa, under Section 61 (1) (a) of the Punjab Excise Act, 1914.

Notice of motion was issued. Learned State counsel put in appearance on behalf of the respondent-State and contested this petition.

I have heard learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel and have gone through the record.

From the record, I find that as per the allegations, 72 bottles of countrymade liquor are stated to have been recovered.

The petitioner has already joined the investigation. He is not

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required for custodial interrogation. The recovery has already been effected. The petitioner is stated to have run away from the spot. Therefore, no useful purpose would be served by sending the petitioner to custody.

Keeping in view the facts and circumstances of the present case; without discussing the facts of the case in minute details and without expressing any opinion on the merits of the case, I find merit in this petition and the same is allowed. The order dated 07.09.2016, granting interim bail to the petitioner, is made absolute. However, the petitioner shall join the investigation as and when called upon to do so and shall abide by the conditions of Section 438 (2) Cr.P.C.

03.11.2016

parveen kumar

**(INDERJIT SINGH)
JUDGE**

Note:	Whether speaking/reasoned	:	Yes
	Whether reportable	:	No